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## Arab-Jewish spy trial concludes

LIVNEH GETS 10 YEARS  
FOR MEETING FATAH MAN

Jerusalem Post Reporter  
The last two Jews to be convicted of adding Jewish spy ring which was set up in 1955, were sentenced yesterday by District Court here to terms of 10 years each.

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S/A Zvi Anbar



S/A Ruth Miskal

Post Military Correspondent  
Ruth Miskal will remain in the army announced

changes announced yesterday. Zvi Anbar will be promoted to the rank of Major, and Ruth Miskal will be promoted to the rank of Captain.

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Menachem Begin (right) and Zvi Rosenblatt, acquitted of the murder of Haim Arlosoroff, mark a moment's silence in Arlosoroff's memory at their press conference yesterday.

## HERUT CHAIRMAN BEGIN:

Labour Party must withdraw  
statement on Arlosoroff

By SRAYA SHAPIRO

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Herut Party leader Menachem Begin yesterday called on the leaders of the Labour Party to withdraw the 40-year-old declaration that a gang of Revisionists murdered Haim Arlosoroff.

The declaration, published in the name of Mapai, the forerunner of the Labour Party, said the legal acquittal of Zvi Rosenblatt, Abba Ahimeir and Avraham Stavsky, was not enough.

"For a generation, people were trained to believe Jews killed Arlosoroff (the Revisionists believe Arabs were responsible); this accusation must be erased once and for all," Mr. Begin said at a press conference here. It was held on the 40th anniversary of the death of Arlosoroff, former head of the Political Department of the Jewish Agency.

Saying he did not believe the

Labour Party would withdraw the declaration, Mr. Begin suggested an investigation by three judges to look into the facts and give a final verdict. He said the inquiry should only begin after the October voting, however, to avoid it being made into an election issue.

The Liberal Party Executive on Friday also resolved to demand a legal inquiry commission probe the murder. On Thursday, Premier Golda Meir rejected any suggestion of appointing an inquiry panel, saying that a probe would not add anything that would help clarify the case. It would only stir up incidents. We... do not need affairs of 40 years ago."

Mr. Begin made a similar demand for investigation by a panel of High Court judges in the Knesset in 1965, after Yehuda Azael, a police officer in 1933, was reported as saying that he knew from investigation that the accused men that they were innocent. After the then Minister of Justice, Pinhas Rosen, stated that they were legally innocent, having been acquitted in court, the Knesset dismissed Mr. Begin's request, in 1966.

Mr. Begin's new demand for an investigation is based on the recent publication by "Ma'ariv" of a statement that the British investigators deliberately side-tracked the police investigation in order to put the blame on the Revisionists.

Zvi Rosenblatt, who also attended the press conference, said he was considering suing Elstadrut Secretary-General Yitzhak Ben-Aharon for libel for stating in a "Davar" interview on Friday that he was still not convinced that there was enough evidence to make a clear decision about Rosenblatt and Stavsky's innocence. Mr. Rosenblatt has already filed a claim against Lord Samuel, the Kater publishing company and The Jerusalem Post for allegedly libelous presentation of the Arlosoroff murder case in a book by Lord Samuel.

During yesterday's meeting, a moment of silence was held in Arlosoroff's memory.

Yitzhak Barkai, secretary-general of the Independent Liberal Party, said over the weekend that there was no useful purpose in reviving painful historical issues such as "Who killed Arlosoroff?" or "Why was the Palmach disbanded." They were matters for historians, not politicians, Mr. Barkai told a study day of the party women's division in Tel Aviv.

## Memorial services

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A memorial service was held at Haim Arlosoroff's graveside in the Old Cemetery yesterday, the fortieth anniversary of his death. Mr. Eliahu Eliahu, a close friend of Arlosoroff, delivered a eulogy.

The service was followed by a memorial meeting at Elstadrut headquarters attended by Prime Minister Golda Meir and Knesset Speaker Yisrael Yeshayahu. Former Mapai Secretary-General Yona Kease and former Labour Party Secretary-General Arye Eliahu spoke at the meeting.

Sima Arlosoroff, the widow, and Arlosoroff's son and daughter were in attendance. Mrs. Arlosoroff held a family reunion at her home in the evening.

Traffic to stop for  
Bethlehem concert

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Bethlehem's Manger Square will be closed to private vehicles today between 1 a.m. and 10.30 p.m. for the open-air evening concert there by the Israel Philharmonic and three kibbutz choirs under Zubin Mehta.

The concert, financed by the Jerusalem Foundation, is being held at the request of Bethlehem Mayor Elias Freij to mark the cooperation between the two cities. Saturday's grandstand capable of seating 3,000 was going up in Manger Square. Tickets to the concert, which begins at 8 p.m., will be sold at IL15 each, but Bethlehem residents will be allowed to sit as standees.

The IPO will perform Bach's Brandenburg Concerto No. 3; the Mendelssohn Violin concerto with Shoshana Minz, 16, as soloist; and the finale from the "Resurrection" Symphony by Gustav Mahler. In the latter, Stella Richmond, soprano, and Mira Zakai, contralto, will be the soloists, joined by the kibbutz choirs.

Buses will be available near the Railway Station, Jerusalem, to Manger Square, from 6.45 until 7.15 p.m. Private cars will have to reach Rachel's Tomb before 7.30 p.m., and passengers will then board buses for Manger Square. The entrance will be closed at 7.45 p.m.

Parking will be available opposite Rachel's Tomb at the outskirts of town for those arriving by private car.

TODDLER WITH  
HEART DEFECT  
TO GO TO U.S.

KERYAT HAEM. — Shai Greenberger, the 18-month-old toddler who requires open heart surgery at the Mayo Clinic in the U.S., will leave here with his mother next month for the operation.

The public committee organized to raise the IL30,000 needed for the trip said yesterday it had collected IL40,000 by Saturday, and the Jewish Community Association of Baden and Essen in Germany contributed an additional DM5,000. Shai, who was born with a heart defect, has already had three operations. (11m)

Babysitter  
jailed for  
murder bid

TEL AVIV. — A 20-year-old teacher from Bnei Brak was remanded for 15 days yesterday on suspicion of trying to poison a family of four for whom she was babysitting. The magistrate who ordered her arrest banned publication of the names of all persons involved in the investigation.

According to the police, the parents and two of their older children had gone out last Thursday evening, leaving the young woman in charge of the baby. When they returned, they sat down for a snack. The father of the family started complaining of a stomach ache and reached for a bottle of soda pop. Noticing a white powder on the inside of the bottle cap, he tried another bottle and found powder inside its cap as well.

The family checked the refrigerator and discovered the powder in all the foodstuffs. The police were called in and established that the powder was rat poison.

Taken in for questioning, the babysitter allegedly confessed it was she who had spread the poison in the family's food. "Something made me do it," she allegedly said.

The investigation continues.

57% of Israelis  
support Dayan's  
policy on areas

TEL AVIV. — Over 57 per cent of the public prefer Defence Minister Moshe Dayan's stand on the administered areas to that of Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir, according to a public opinion poll held by the Danat research institute.

The pollers asked 1,200 Israelis whether they supported Mr. Dayan's policy of favouring open bridges, land purchase in the West Bank, settlement in the areas and the numerical ratio between Jews and Arabs — or Mr. Sapir's opposing views.

Only 10.1 per cent said they supported Mr. Sapir's stand, 12 per cent said they could not decide, 12.5 per cent did not know enough about the subject, and 7.1 per cent supported neither stand.

The same poll showed that 80.3 per cent of the public supported a price freeze by the Government, while only 4.8 per cent opposed it. At the same time, 49.2 per cent did not believe the Government would carry out the proposed freeze.

## New plan for Jerusalem

Limit central buildings  
to eight storeys

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A proposal to limit building heights in Jerusalem to a maximum of eight storeys in the city centre was presented last night to the Local Planning Committee by the Municipal Planning Division. But Mayor Teddy Kollek said a decision would be put off for at least a month.

The long-awaited proposal comes after high-rise buildings such as the 18-storey Omariya Tower, the 16-storey Rasseo Building and the 17-storey Plaza Hotel have been built in the central area. If adopted, however, the height limitation could affect a score of other high-rise structures already proposed.

Under the proposal, heights in the centre would be graded from three storeys facing the Old City walls to a maximum of eight in the heart of the business district — roughly an area bounded by Davidka Square and Helene Hamakia, Ha-nevi'im and Hillel Streets.

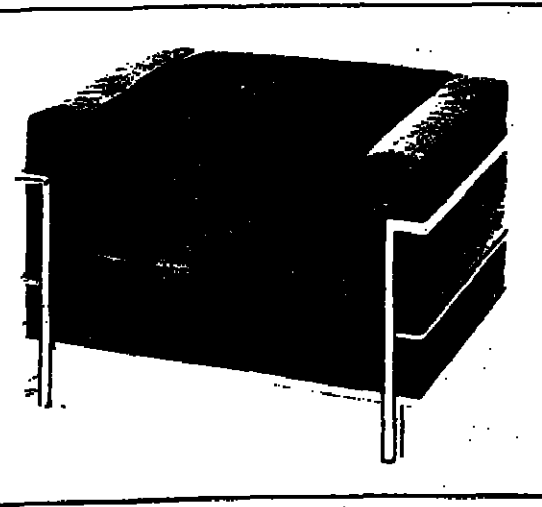
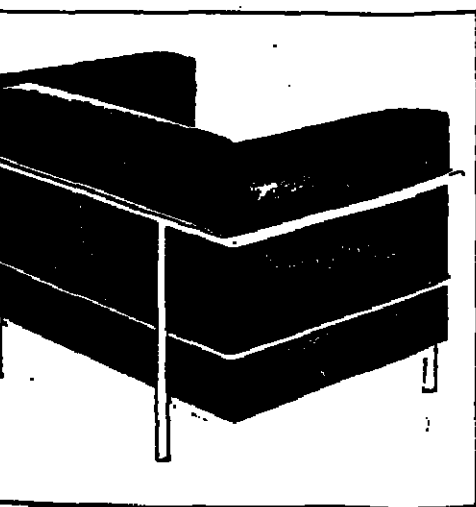
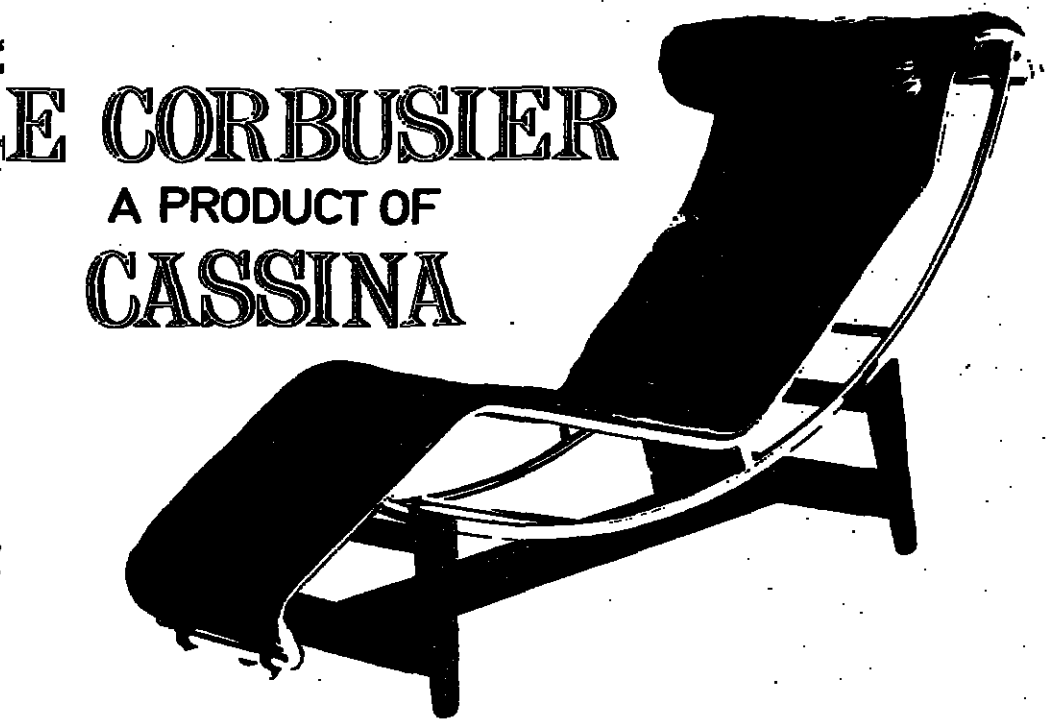
In residential areas, heights would continue to be limited to four storeys except in projects covering 40 or more dunams. There some buildings up to eight storeys would be permitted provided they did not constitute more than 10 per cent of the project's total floor space.

Mike Turner of the Planning Division told the committee that the San Simon development, which exists in the Plaza Hotel in Independence Park, more attractive than the uniform

height of French Hill. He stressed that low-rise structures could accommodate at least as much floor space on a given tract as a high-rise building, occupying a portion of that tract.

Councilman Asher Rogel asked whether anything could be done to stop the construction of the 19-storey Commodore Hotel at the foot of Keren Hayesod, which already has a building permit, and the 22-storey Beit Midot office building next to Hamasbihi Litzarchan, which has a permit for the construction of its lower three storeys. The Jerusalem Committee last week recommended that all such high-rise projects within view of the Old City be stopped. Deputy Mayor Haim Maronov, in charge of the Local Building Subcommittee, said he did not see how these projects could be stopped. Mayor Kollek, however, said the possibility of stopping them would be discussed when the proposed high-rise building policy was reviewed by the committee. An opinion might be asked of the Municipal Legal Adviser, he said.

Under the proposal, heights in designated preservation areas such as the Old City or the German Colony would be limited to the prevailing height in the area. High-rise buildings would be forbidden next to public open space — a proposal that would have affected the Plaza Hotel in Independence Park, had it come earlier.

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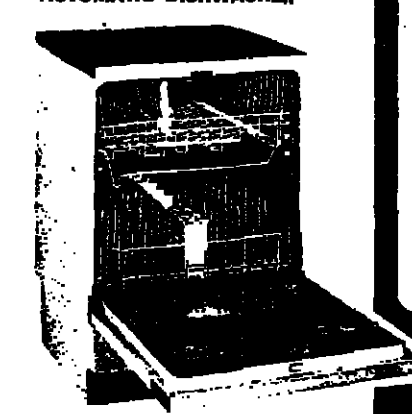
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## Truce violations climb

## U.S. steps up bombing near Cambodia capital

SAIGON (UPI). — Cease-fire violations climbed sharply yesterday, the Saigon Command said, and military sources were concerned by a rash of shelling in the Kontum area of the Central Highlands.

Saboteurs mined a train in the coastal highlands, and landmines in the Danang area killed three civilians and wounded 12.

## U.S. BOMBING

American bombing appeared to have been stepped up in the last 24 hours, with the almost continual crump and rumble of explosions rattling windows and doorframes in the capital.

The attacks were concentrated along an arc south and southwest of Phnom Penh about 19 kms. from the city limits. Both giant B52s and F4s apparently were taking part in the raids, judging by the intensity and size of the bomb loads.

Meanwhile, Sen. William Proxmire said Saturday that the U.S. Senate should delay confirmation of James Schlesinger as Secretary of Defense until he clarifies a statement about possible resumption of U.S. bombing of North Vietnam.

The Wisconsin Democrat's plea, in a letter to Sen. Stuart Symington of the Armed Services Committee, came on the eve of today's House showdown on U.S. Indochina policy.

The House is expected to vote on whether it will accept an amend-

ment, overwhelmingly passed by the Senate, barring funds for any U.S. military activity in Laos or Cambodia.

In other Cambodia fighting, a bomb exploded outside a crowded Phnom Penh restaurant Saturday night, leaving dead and injured sprawled on the pavement.

Police casualty counts showed seven civilians killed, including one child, and a least 24 hurt. Several of the injured were diners in the restaurant.

Police said the incident may have stemmed from a personal dispute rather than being an act of political terrorism. The explosion may have been the work of soldiers disgruntled by a lack of pay and other grievances.

## Ceausescu rejects 'limited sovereignty'

HAMBURG, Germany (AP). — Rumanian state and party chief Nicolae Ceausescu yesterday rejected "limited sovereignty" of states and demanded that foreign troops be withdrawn from Europe.

In an interview with the West German news magazine "Der Spiegel," Ceausescu, when asked what he thinks about the so-called doctrine of limited sovereignty as allegedly designed by Soviet Party leader Leonid Brezhnev, replied, "I do not know that such a doctrine exists."

Ceausescu will make a state visit to West Germany this week.

He said in the interview: "I know that it was talked about. However, as said before, there can be no question of limiting sovereignty. The fact that states determine their own frame of cooperation and thus their mutual concessions, is proof of their sovereignty and not its limitation."

The leader of the independent-minded Socialist state gave four of their own frame of cooperation, and to dissolve the military blocs presently established in Europe:

- Getting to know each other better and peoples approaching each other.
- Disarmament.
- Successful development of an all-European conference.
- The search for ways to expand cooperation and guarantees of equality and esteem for each nation.



NASA doctors continue extensive examinations of the Skylab astronauts inside a mobile laboratory aboard the recovery ship USS Ticonderoga. Here Astronaut Paul Weitz is tested in the lower body negative pressure device. (AP radiophoto)

## More protesters to sail into French nuclear test area

AUCKLAND. — Four Frenchmen protesting their country's nuclear test plans will fly from New Zealand on Wednesday to the Cook Islands to sail to Mururoa Atoll test area aboard the 400-ton vessel Manuval.

The ship has been chartered by the New Zealand protest group called Peace Media to carry provisions to two yachts which have been near Mururoa since late May. They are the Spirit of Peace, with a crew of four, and the Fri, with a crew of 13. They left New Zealand in April.

Meanwhile, preparations continue at Auckland aboard the frigate H.M.N.Z.S. Ottago, which is to sail on Thursday for Mururoa as part of a New Zealand Government protest at the French tests. Although 20 of the frigate's 242 crew accepted the option of backing out from the voyage, many others volunteered to take their place.

In Sydney, the Australian Navy ship, H.M.A.S. Supply, is standing by to rendezvous with H.M.N.Z.S. Ottago.

## 'Pravda' condemns world forces opposing detente

MOSCOW (UPI). — The Communist Party newspaper "Pravda" said yesterday that while most of the world applauds the Soviet-American summit talks, there are some Americans, the Chinese Government, and several Arab newspapers who disapprove.

In other parts of the world, the forces opposing international detente have not yet laid down their arms," wrote commentator Ruman Kolesnikov in his weekly review of international events.

"In the U.S., there are extreme right-wing circles connected with the military-industrial complex and reactionary Zionist organizations. It is noteworthy that the present Peking leadership as a matter of fact keeps this company.

"At present, Peking is spreading concoctions to the effect that the summit talks between the USSR

and the USA are allegedly a new 'division of the world' between 'superpowers'."

The commentator said while most of the Arab press favours the summit talks, "certain Arab newspapers, judging by press reports, are obviously repeating some alien world the collusion of two superpowers" at the cost of the interests of Third World countries and in particular of the Arab states.

"The Libyan newspaper 'Al-Balagh' went so far as to state that the 'USSR and the U.S. having left behind the period of peaceful coexistence, are entering the period of the division of their spheres of influence.'"

"However, the source of such concoctions do not express the opinion of the overwhelming majority of the Arab public."

## French Jews fast, march in protest of Brezhnev visit

PARIS (Reuters). — Militants of the French Committee for Support of Soviet Jews began a hunger strike at the Memorial to the Unknown Jewish Martyr here yesterday at the start of a campaign of demonstrations to coincide with the official visit of Soviet Leader Leonid Brezhnev.

A statement from the committee yesterday said that the hunger strike was in solidarity with six Jewish scientists who have been fasting for the last 15 days in Moscow.

A series of demonstrations would be organized during Brezhnev's two-day talks with President Georges Pompidou, culminating in a solemn march through Paris to the Martyr's Memorial, the statement added.

Brezhnev arrives here late tonight and leaves on Wednesday.

## Soviet Jews

(Continued from page one) community in Israel asking the Soviet Jews to stop their hunger strike.

"Your deeds and sacrifices have focused the attention of the world of science and of enlightened public opinion on the terrible plight of scientists in the U.S.S.R. who desire to emigrate to Israel. It is unthinkable that the right to emigrate to their homeland should be arbitrarily withheld from persons whose only crime is their contribution to human knowledge."

"Your long fast has underlined the emptiness of the pretext that your presence is essential to the U.S.S.R., which is used as an excuse to deprive you of your right to emigrate. The fact that more than a year has passed since you were 'dismissed' from your posts, the stoppage of your scientific work, and such acts as the deportation of your comrade, Dr. Yevgeny Levkova, to hard labour in Eastern Siberia, completely contradict such excuses."

"The appeals of hundreds of outstanding scientists from all over the world and the sympathy hunger strikes of your colleagues in Israel are manifest proof that you have stirred the conscience of all men who cherish justice."

"Scientists have marched in Washington with your names carried aloft; and in the last two days, appeals have been made to you by members of the U.S. Senate, the Mayor of New York and others."

"They have sent appeals to the Soviet authorities directly, and through President Nixon, to abolish the restrictions and permit your immigration to Israel."

"We demand that you cease your hunger-strike immediately. If you carry it beyond the present stage you will suffer irreparable damage, which must be avoided."

## RUBIN APPEAL

Over 1,200 leading scholars from 18 countries have appealed to the Soviet authorities to allow a Russian Jewish expert on Chinese studies to emigrate to Israel, the Hebrew University said yesterday.

The appeal on behalf of Dr. Vital Rubin was described by the University as a "concerted international effort... unprecedented in scope."

The signatories include heads and professors of leading universities in the U.S., Britain, France, Denmark, Australia, Sweden and West Germany.

Dr. Rubin has been trying for over a year to obtain permission to come to Israel to take up a teaching and research post offered him at the Jerusalem University.

Yesterday's announcement said he had not been allowed to leave the U.S.S.R. even to read a paper at an international congress of Orientalists in Paris next month to which he had been invited.

## The professor gets two books

By DAVID LANDAU  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The story reported in Friday's Jerusalem Post, of the man who fought for three years to obtain a book which he had purchased from a bookseller in Berlin in 1969, ended happily yesterday: he received two pieces of the book. One was sent to his home by special messenger from the Ministry of Tourism, and the other was awaiting him by the publishers, H. Y. Sefar, who read of his trial in the Post.

The man, Professor Sid Greenbaum of the University of Wisconsin, and currently teaching at the Hebrew University engaged in a long correspondence with the Tourism Ministry claiming that since he bought the book as a souvenir from a shop displaying a "commemorative" sign, the Ministry ought to help him obtain it. (The book was unsalable when paid for it, and the bookseller promised to send it on.)

The Ministry delivered the book to Prof. Greenbaum yesterday, explaining in a letter that at last it had been able to cure it for him, stressing its efforts to do so had "only a gesture of good will since it was never our task to interfere." The Director of Control Department, J. E. wrote that the Ministry's seller, Zvi Gross, was not recommended by the Ministry. The publishers, Kiryat S. told Prof. Greenbaum that I had approached them they had gladly supplied the book. The third volume, Ezer-Shoshan's Hebrew dictionary.

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## El-Arish man held for stabbing son

GAZA. — An El-Arish man aged 52, was arrested on Saturday on suspicion of stabbing and severely injuring his 22-year-old son. The son, Mohammed e-Sellur, brought to Shifa Hospital here several stab wounds. Police investigators say the father told the stabbed his son after a quarrel.

## Caesarea mosaics deciphered



This Greek inscription on the mosaic floor at Caesarea bears from Deuteronomy, chapter 7, verses 12-13.

Two Greek inscriptions, from a recently discovered mosaic floor in Caesarea, have been deciphered by Professor Michael Avi-Yonah. One of the verses, from Deuteronomy, reads: "The Lord thy God... will bless thee, thy corn and thy wine and thine oil... and multiply thee."

The second verse is from Psalms: "In the time that their corn and their wine increased." Greek inscriptions of such an "agricultural" character are rare.

The floor was discovered during gardening work in the villa of Mr. F. Zuckerman, Chairman of the U.I.A. in the U.S. The Department of Antiquities Regional Inspector, A. native of Caesarea.

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## Tennis pros ask dissenting players to leave ATP

LONDON (Reuters). — Rumanian Ilie Nastase, Australian Ray Keldie and Britain's Roger Taylor were asked yesterday to resign from the Association of Tennis Professionals (ATP) because of their refusal to join the ATP's boycott of the Wimbledon Championships starting here today.

The three players were officially "invited" to resign after a special meeting yesterday of the ATP's disciplinary committee.

Both Nastase, the top seed for the men's singles crown, and Keldie were at the meeting, but Taylor did not appear despite an invitation to attend.

A spokesman for the disciplinary committee said final decisions on all three players would not be taken until the committee met again at the end of the two-week Wimbledon Championships.

Chairman of the committee is American Stan Smith, the current Wimbledon men's singles champion. More than 70 leading players, all members of ATP, will be absent from the men's events following the feud between ATP and the International Lawn Tennis Federation (ILTF). The row stemmed from the Wimbledon ban on Yugoslav Nikid Pilic who was suspended by the ILTF for failing to play for Yugoslavia in the Davis Cup.

He was taken to hospital for psychiatric observation, police said.

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# Bar-Ilan University's 18th Anniversary

## Three to receive Honorary Doctorates today

Bar-Ilan University will today honour the noted author Elie Wiesel and two of its founders — Mr. Phillip Stollman, of Detroit, and Rabbi Seymour M. Zambrowsky, of Jerusalem — with the degree Doctor of Philosophy Honoris Causa.

According to an announcement by the Chancellor, Rabbi Dr. Joseph H. Lookstein, the awards will be made at the graduation exercise on the campus at Ramat Gan this afternoon. At the ceremony, six doctorates and 85 masters degrees will be awarded to students.

Mr. Phillip Stollman, of Detroit, Michigan, in the U.S.A., is one of the leaders of the Jewish Community in America. He has helped to build and maintain many institutions of learning and contributed to many philanthropies in his native city. He was a pioneer in helping to bring about the establishment of Bar-Ilan University. For more than a decade he served as Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the University. He and his family contributed

generously to the growth and development of Bar-Ilan. The Stollman Administration Building on the Bar-Ilan Campus is but one of the structures that their generosity made possible.

Mr. Elie Wiesel will receive an Honorary Doctorate in Philosophy for his great contributions to the



Mr. Elie Wiesel

World of Letters. The volumes which he has written have received universal acclaim. He has become a living voice of the millions who perished in the Holocaust. He described in his books the agony of their suffering and death, and simultaneously the beauty of their cultural and spiritual heritage. In his "The Jews of Silence" he portrayed as none other the plight of Soviet Jewry, and called upon the world to save them. His love of Chassidism is demonstrated in his book "Souls on Fire" and his attachment to Israel

is incorporated in his "Bigger in Jerusalem."

Rabbi Seymour M. Zambrowsky will be honoured for his lifetime of service to religious Zionism and for the great role that he played in the establishment and advancement of Bar-Ilan University. He is presently Vice-Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the University, and is filling with honour the office of Chairman of the World Organisation of Religious Zionism. He spent the greater part of his life in Canada where he was an acknowledged leader of the Canadian Jewish Congress and was regarded as a foremost leader of the Jewish Community of that country. He is known throughout the Jewish World as a Rabbi, teacher and superb orator in several languages.



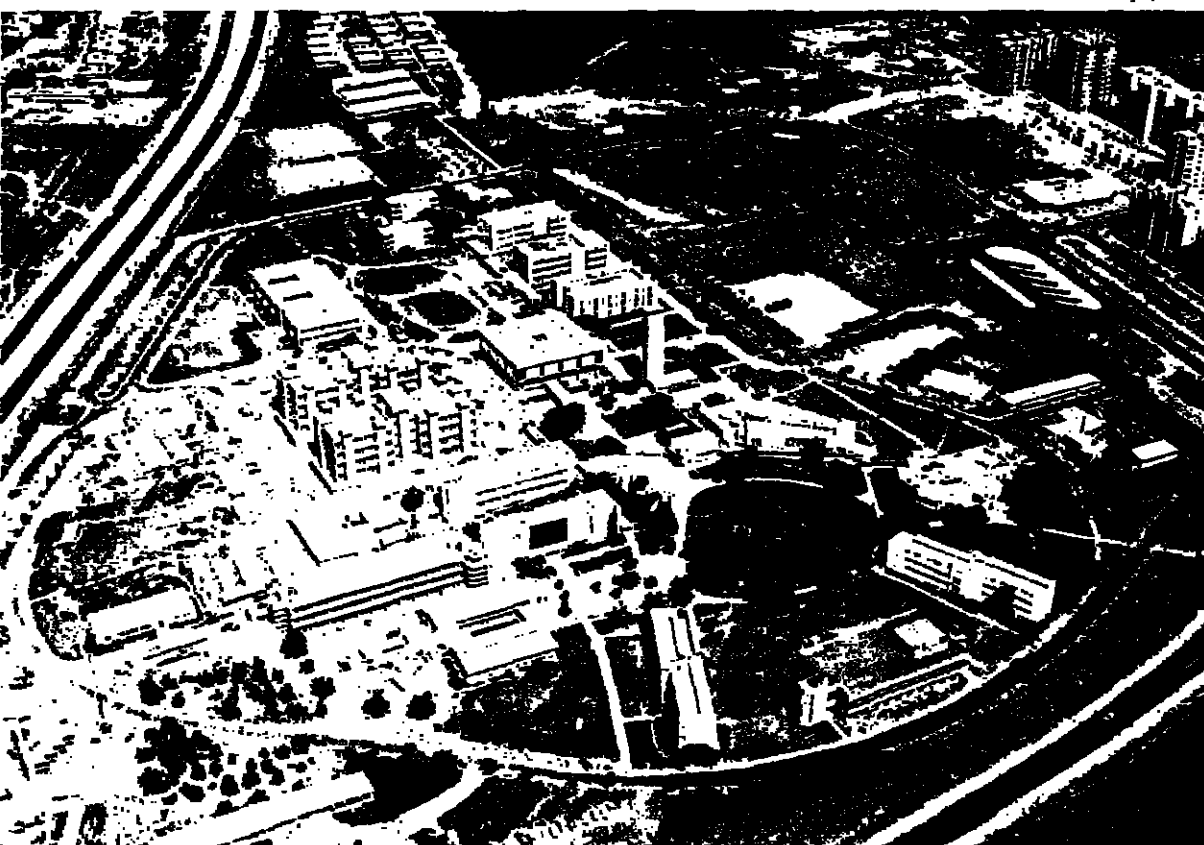
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## MILESTONES OF THE UNIVERSITY

- 1955 Professor Pinchas Churgin opens University with 70 students, 18 courses.
- 1956 Eleven buildings dedicated, ending first phase of building programme.
- 1960 First graduation ceremony, 27 receive bachelor degrees.
- 1961 First M.A. graduates.
- 1963 First volume of Bar-Ilan Studies in Judaica and the Humanities published. First doctorate awarded.
- 1964 Board of Regents in the State of New York grants absolute Charter of recognition.
- 1967 School of Social Work opens.
- 1969 New Education and Humanities buildings completed. Full academic recognition by Higher Council on Education in Israel.
- 1970 Faculty of Law opens.
- 1972 University enters 18th year — 6,000 students, campus extends over 500 dunams, budget over IL66 million. IL200 million development scheme announced.

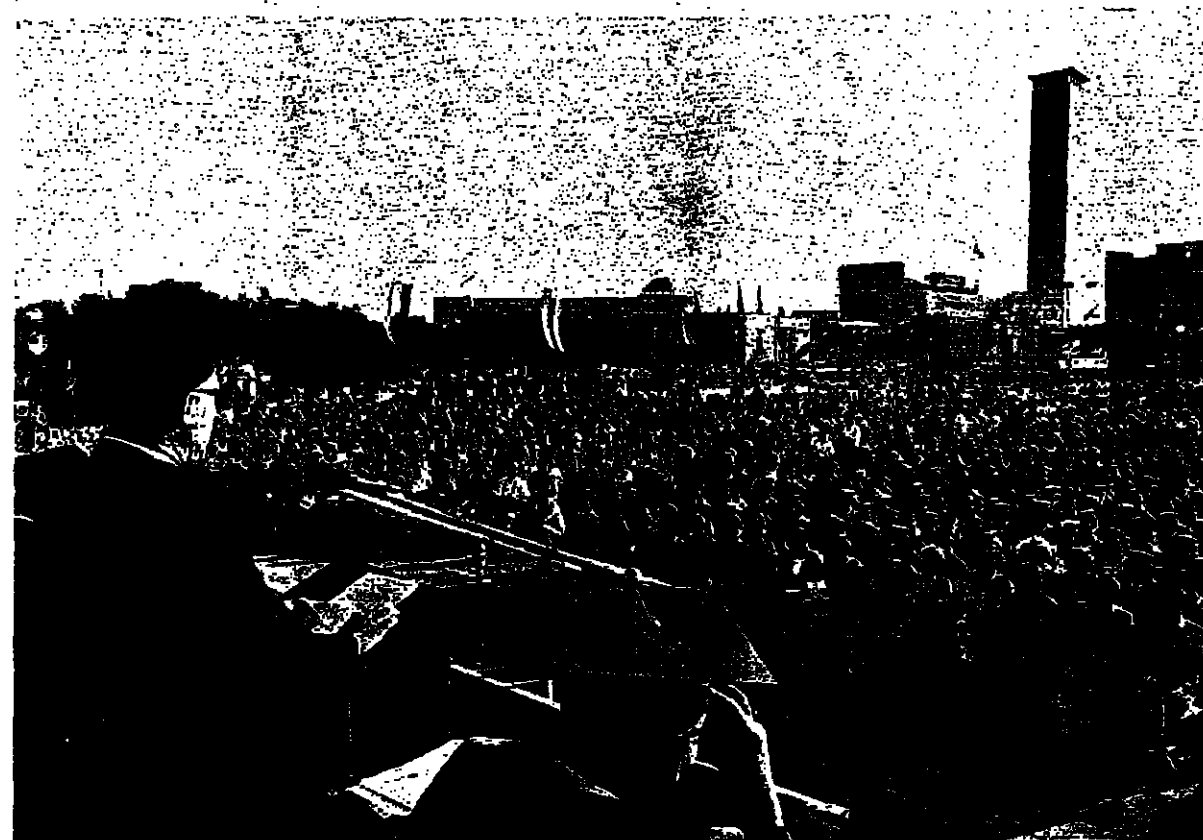


Aerial view of the campus at Ramat Gan



Computer used for administration, research and training.

At work in the audio-visual language laboratory.



Professor Menachem Zvi Kaddari, the Rector, addressing the 3,700 people present at the graduation exercise last Tuesday. On the right in the front row are officers of the Israeli Defence Force who received degrees.

## 860 Degrees, Diplomas Awarded

A record number of bachelor degrees were conferred at a large outdoor ceremony on the Ramat Gan campus last Tuesday. In all 860 degrees, certificates and diplomas were awarded. In his address, Professor Menachem Zvi Kaddari, the Rector, said the past year had been one of dynamic progress in depth and in consolidation.

Among the graduates on Tuesday was pilot Gidon Ron, a former prisoner-of-war in Egypt. He received a B.A. in economics and political science. Eleven Arab students graduated.

Of the 860 bachelor degrees awarded, 375 were in Social Sciences, 187 in Jewish Studies and Humanities and 148 in Natural Sciences. At the same time 147 teachers' certificates were presented as well as 11 diplomas to graduates of the Institute of Local Government at Bar-Ilan.

Professor Kaddari said that one of the main tasks was the continuing effort in shaping the special form of Bar-Ilan as a religious university in Israel in the 70s of the 20th century and in guarding its character.

The Institute for Advanced Torah Studies had begun to function. This was the first time that the opportunity had been created in Israel for higher yeshiva students studying a regular yeshiva programme to

obtain academic education at a university at the same time. It was expected that the influence of these students would be discernible on campus and on students outside the programme.

Professor Kaddari said that the strike by students and later by assistants had in no way affected the fruitful year of studies. The University was determined to let nothing detract from its high academic standards.



On the date at the graduation exercise last Tuesday (from left to right): Professor Charles Liebman, Professor Isaac Dov Glati, Professor Solomon Poll, Professor Menachem Zvi Kaddari, Rector; Rabbi Dr. Joseph H. Lookstein, Chancellor; Dr. Israel Peled, Mayor of Ramat Gan; Mr. Matityahu Adler, Director-General.

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The unique atmosphere of Bar-Ilan University resulting from the blending of secular knowledge with the spiritual traditions of the Jewish people has provided an opportunity for the building of bridges between the religious and other elements of the population: the Diaspora and Israel and the Western and Oriental communities.

Bar-Ilan sees as one of its tasks the absorption of students on campus. Out of 6,000 students, 800 are from abroad. In training these students the University is educating the Jewish people and the Diaspora and teaching personnel for the Jewish community.

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המלחמה בארץ



Mother Nature has carved out what looks like her own monumental tribute to late U.S. President John F. Kennedy. A passing tourist snags the rock formation which unmistakably profiles the man who was assassinated in Dallas, Texas, 1963. The rocky likeness overlooks the Red Sea, and is visible from a little way off the main Eilat-Ophir road.

## Civil servant robbed of his country

M. ELKABIR — 50th day

death. AM Elkabir was a devoted citizen and civil servant, fulfilling his tasks with the utmost efficiency. He represented his country abroad, respectfully.

His loyalty to the Iraqi state did not interfere with his devotion to the Jewish religion. In 1921, Elkabir was appointed Minister of Finance. He was the first government minister, headed by Sayed Shuman El-Kilani, had the honor of the British High Commissioner Percy Cox.

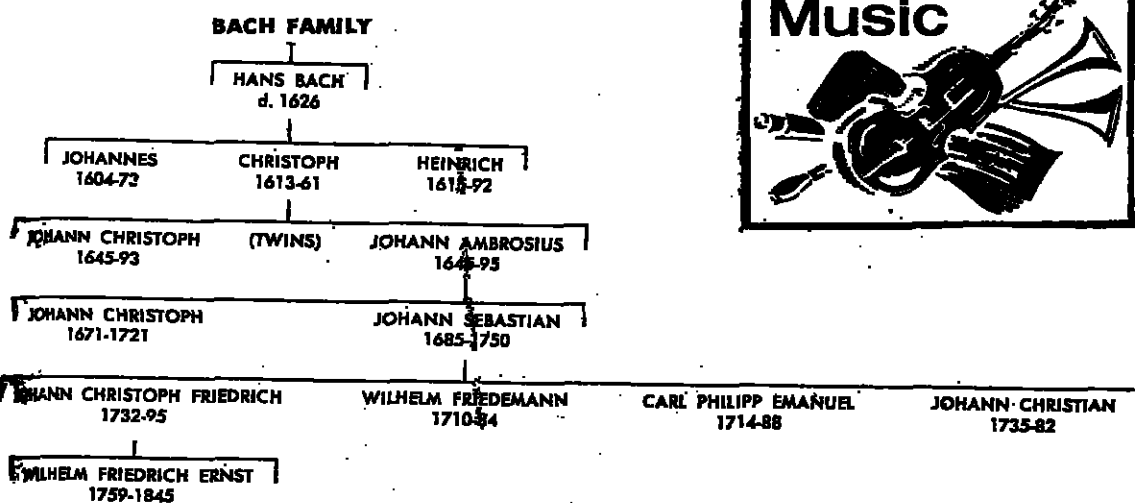
He was the spirit of the time, and he was the one who was used by Hekel to accept the post of a country endowed with a glorious past and a bright future, endowed with a variety of water, vast natural resources and people eager to regenerate their devastated by centuries of

He proved his devotion to the Iraqi Jewish community. I contacted him as an representative from 1949 to 1950, for the good of as well as that of Iraq. He stands for that Jew who did so, should be allowed to leave Iraq, thus avoiding the on of an embittered element within the country. Abraham understood this, as a Iraqi civil servant to whom it a great deal.

When he visited Israel, he his heart to me, saying new Iraqi regime had ruined country and blocked the exit. "They have taken Iraq from me," he said. "I have interest in Iraq." Elkabir entrusted his memoirs to me. In discussed the Iraqi regime beginnings. A corner in Jews Traditional Culture containing material of his life, will be dedicated to my.

BOHAI BEN-PORAT, M.K., Chairman of the Traditional Culture Centre

## A FEAST OF BACHS



"THE BACH DYNASTY," presented by the Israel Broadcasting Authority, producers — Ada Brodsky and Avi Haim (The Jerusalem Khan — June 23). Kasuko Ishida, organ; Yehudit Dresden, flute; Yair Klug and Uri Ben-Zion, violins; Meron Yampolsky, cello; Chila Grossmeyer, soprano; Zahava Gal, mezzo-soprano; Avraham Salomon, tenor; Dima Forst, bass-baritone; Elad Neuman, harpsichord and piano; readings — by Miriam Zohar and Eliza Asherov.

Max Reger (1873-1916) as a kind of contribution of the Bach family to the Reger Centenary! This was a most stimulating and gratifying programme, and, as so many people could not get in, the programme should be repeated. The evening ended with an inspired reading of the Brahms Serenade. BENJAMIN BAR-AM

Big is not beautiful. Recital by Marcello Ferraresi, tenor, piano accompaniment, Jonathan Zak. (Tel Aviv Museum, June 21). Arias by Bizet, Chiles, Leoncavallo, Puccini, Neapolitan songs.

Three few things which can be said about Mr. Ferraresi, must, regrettably, be painfully negative. Besides possessing a huge voice and being able to impress with a few high notes, produced with an air of immense self-satisfaction, Mr. Ferraresi has very little to offer. His singing is a far cry from bel canto. He lacks refinement and musical intelligence. No pleasantness, no mellowness and absolutely no subtlety. Any manifestation of musicality in the first part of the recital (I did not listen to the second part), was Jonathan Zak's.

Bertini makes an orchestra. Special Concert by the Israel Chamber Ensemble. Conductor: Gary Bertini. Soloist: Philip Hirschhorn, violin. (Tel Aviv Museum, June 20). Mozart: Symphony No. 35 in D Major, K. 583, "Prague"; Violin Concerto No. 2 in D Major, K. 211; Brahms: Serenade in D Major No. 2, Op. 16.

GARY Bertini is back from a foreign tour at the helm of the

## Comay denies staff exodus due to Rafael

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Israel's ambassador in London, Michael Comay, has denied press reports that top Embassy personnel had asked for transfers because they do not wish to work under his successor, Gideon Rafael. Mr. Rafael's appointment to the London Embassy was ratified at yesterday's Cabinet meeting. In a statement published on Friday, Mr. Comay also rebutted reports that he was reluctant to stand down.

His statement read: "In view of certain press reports relating to this Embassy I feel obliged to set the record straight. I refer in particular to a recent story in a London paper that a number of senior officials at the Embassy were being transferred at their own request because they did not wish to serve under the person likely to be appointed as the next ambassador. This story is devoid of truth."

"Some members of the Embassy staff will be returning home this summer or proceeding to other posts abroad in the course of routine service changes. On my instructions, the Embassy immediately contacted the paper concerned and refuted its report." The paper was the "Daily Mirror."

"I also wish to put an end to speculation about the termination of my own tour of duty in London. In October I shall reach retirement age and for that reason I shall be returning to Jerusalem. I have accepted an invitation by the Foreign Minister to take up a position in the Ministry as his adviser, subject to the relevant Civil Service procedures. "A senior and experienced member of our Foreign Service is being proposed as my successor. In this connection, I note with deep concern and regret that unfounded stories have appeared in the press that can only be prejudicial to the Embassy in London and to Israel's interests."

## Job shortage in the Negev

BEERSHEVA. — A job shortage is impeding settlement of immigrants in the south, the director of the Absorption Ministry's Southern District office, Haim Itzkovich, said here on Friday.

Mr. Itzkovich said the shortage was in professional and other fields. There were no jobs in the Beersheva area for immigrants in printing, electronics or mechanical engineering, or in the humanities and the physical and social sciences, he said.

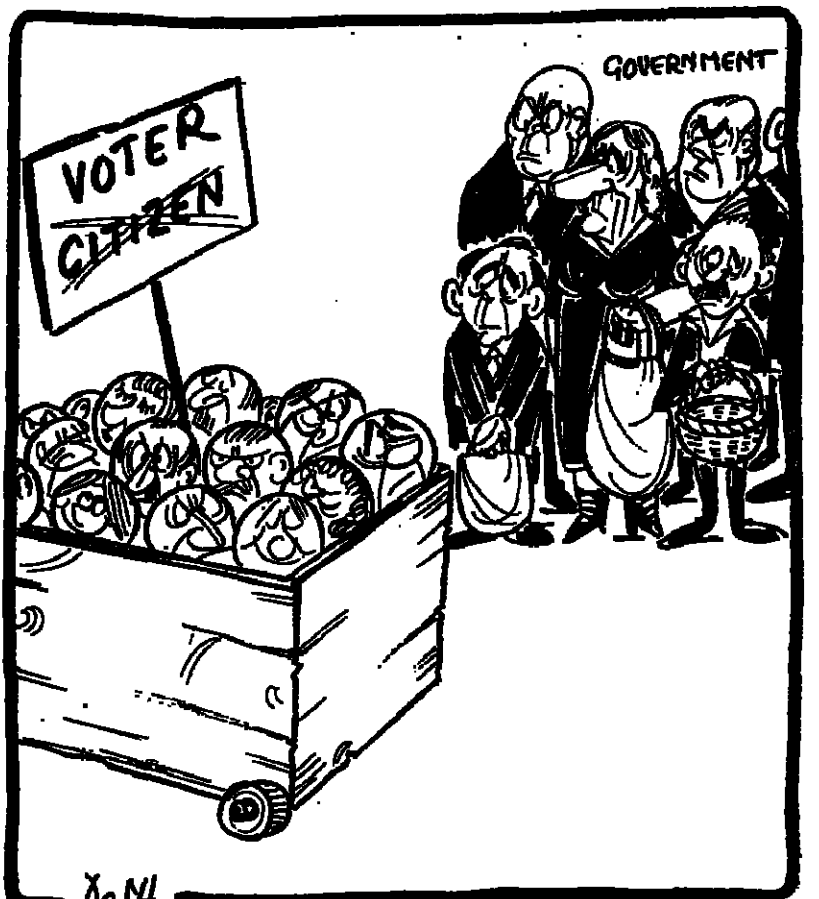
On the other hand, Beersheva's University of the Negev and its Soroka Medical Centre had managed to take in some immigrant professionals, Mr. Itzkovich said. He added that there is work for chemical engineers in the Negev capital.

He said immigrants faced no housing problem in Beersheva, and noted that several hundred housing units for them were nearing completion in Beersheva and in several southern development towns (Zim).

Philip Hirschhorn, the soloist, who was in excellent form. Although the solo was a disappointment, he seemed to open up in the concerto, which was disciplined, yet had charm and freshness. However, the unchanging sweetness of his tone still seems to dominate his interpretative attitude.

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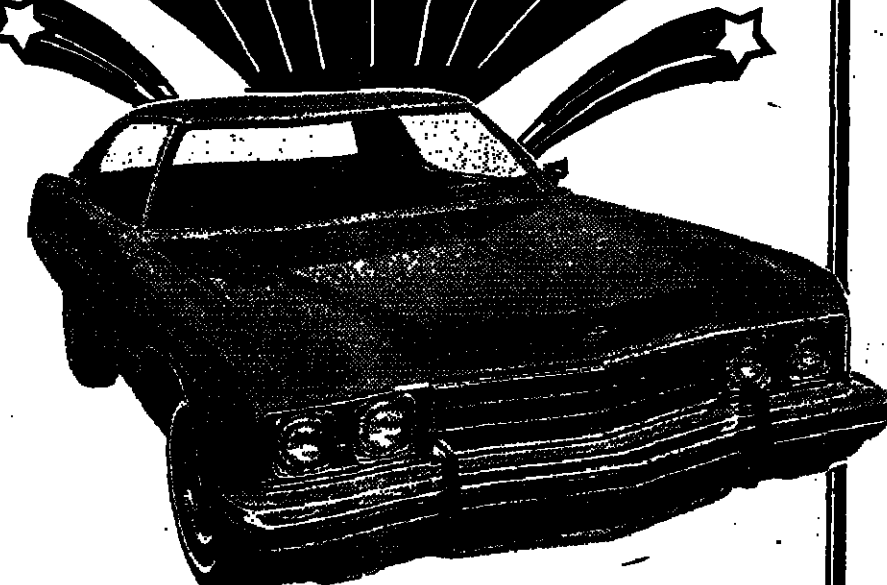
These salaries do not justify the shutting down of public medical services.

In another six months talks will start between the employers and the doctors, and the doctors will then be able to make new demands.

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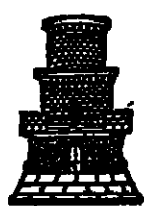
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| Special General Reserve   | 2,200,000   |             |             | 1,300,000   |     |     |     |     |     |
| Unappropriated Profit   | 604,345     |             |             | 395,315     |     |     |     |     |     |
|   |             | 8,304,345   |             | 6,095,315   |     |     |     |     |     |
|   |             |             | 16,140,229  | 13,931,122  |     |     |     |     |     |
| <b>RESERVE</b> for outstanding premiums above allowed percentage (Note 7)                                     |             |             |             | 244,000     |     |     |     |     |     |
| <b>INSURANCE RESERVES</b>   |             |             |             |             |     |     |     |     |     |
| Life Insurance -  |             |             |             |             |     |     |     |     |     |
| Assurance reserve (Notes 1,2)   | 173,709,299 |             |             | 129,883,361 |     |     |     |     |     |
| Less - reinsurance  | 3,240,190   |             |             | 2,165,052   |     |     |     |     |     |
|   | 170,469,109 |             |             | 127,718,309 |     |     |     |     |     |
| Reserve for extraordinary risks   | 13,583,181  |             |             | 10,654,093  |     |     |     |     |     |
|   |             | 184,052,290 |             | 138,372,402 |     |     |     |     |     |
| General insurance   |             |             |             |             |     |     |     |     |     |
| Reserve for extraordinary risks   |             | 2,658,352   |             | 1,847,932   |     |     |     |     |     |
|   |             |             | 186,710,642 | 140,220,334 |     |     |     |     |     |
| c/f   |             |             | 202,850,871 | 154,395,533 |     |     |     |     |     |
| <b>OTHER LIABILITIES</b>  |             |             |             |             |     |     |     |     |     |
| Reserve for unexpired risks in General Insurance  | 24,897,216  |             |             | 18,086,670  |     |     |     |     |     |
| Less - reinsurance  | 14,275,490  |             |             | 10,747,858  |     |     |     |     |     |
|   | 10,621,726  |             |             | 7,338,812   |     |     |     |     |     |
| Outstanding claims in Life Insurance  | 1,468,332   |             |             | 1,051,853   |     |     |     |     |     |
| Less - reinsurance  | 187,374     |             |             | 138,969     |     |     |     |     |     |
|   | 1,280,958   |             |             | 912,884     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Outstanding claims in General Insurance   | 43,257,405  |             |             | 30,652,782  |     |     |     |     |     |
| Less - reinsurance  | 24,704,495  |             |             | 20,390,202  |     |     |     |     |     |
|   | 18,552,910  |             |             | 10,262,580  |     |     |     |     |     |
| Insurance Companies -   |             |             |             |             |     |     |     |     |     |
| Deposits by General Insurance Reinsurers  | 11,285,242  |             |             | 8,076,145   |     |     |     |     |     |
| Other accounts  | 10,358,154  |             |             | 8,935,994   |     |     |     |     |     |
|   | 21,643,396  |             |             | 16,112,139  |     |     |     |     |     |
| Creditors and credit balances (including unexpired reserve)   | 9,582,416   |             |             | 8,013,387   |     |     |     |     |     |
| Proposed dividend, gross  | 1,128,467   |             |             | 981,276     |     |     |     |     |     |
|   |             | 62,807,934  |             | 47,621,078  |     |     |     |     |     |
|   |             | 265,658,805 |             | 198,016,611 |     |     |     |     |     |
| <b>INVESTMENTS</b>  |             |             |             |             |     |     |     |     |     |
| Bonds and Debentures (including payments on account) (Notes 1, 3) of or guaranteed by the Government          | 170,324,449 |             |             | 121,997,609 |     |     |     |     |     |
| Other Debentures and Capital Notes of Bank Leumi Le-Israel B.M. (Notes 1,3)                                   | 2,147,415   |             |             | 1,390,757   |     |     |     |     |     |
|   | 172,471,864 |             |             | 123,388,366 |     |     |     |     |     |
| Interest accrued on optionally linked Government bonds (payable on their maturity)                            | 783,049     |             |             | 1,581,989   |     |     |     |     |     |
|   |             | 173,254,913 |             | 124,970,355 |     |     |     |     |     |
| Loans and Deposits (Notes 1, 4)   |             |             |             |             |     |     |     |     |     |
| On Company's policies (within their surrender value)  | 6,001,937   |             |             | 5,001,960   |     |     |     |     |     |
| Mortgages on buildings  | 821,948     |             |             | 835,965     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Guaranteed by Banks, the Accountant General or Financial Institutions   | 14,815,341  |             |             | 14,815,341  |     |     |     |     |     |
| To Municipalities   | 235,762     |             |             | 235,762     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Deposits with Banks and Financial Institutions (long term or for granting of loans)                           | 4,844,492   |             |             | 3,090,019   |     |     |     |     |     |
|   |             | 31,382,434  |             | 23,795,784  |     |     |     |     |     |
| Shares and Investment Trust Units (Notes 1, 5)  | 1,392,853   |             |             | 1,189,142   |     |     |     |     |     |
| Real Estate -   |             |             |             |             |     |     |     |     |     |
| Buildings for rent (Note 1)   | 1,812,944   |             |             | 1,582,882   |     |     |     |     |     |
| Investment in Real Estate and building companies (including IL.1,961,491 shares at cost and IL.569,119 loans) | 2,530,610   |             |             | 2,266,751   |     |     |     |     |     |
|   |             | 4,343,554   |             | 3,849,633   |     |     |     |     |     |
| <b>FIXED ASSETS</b>   |             |             |             |             |     |     |     |     |     |
| Office buildings and premises (including building under construction - IL.576,223) (Note 8)                   | 7,742,789   |             |             | 2,030,542   |     |     |     |     |     |
| Equipment and furniture, at nominal amount  | 1           |             |             | 1           |     |     |     |     |     |
|   |             | 7,742,790   |             | 2,030,543   |     |     |     |     |     |
| <b>ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE AND CASH</b>   |             |             |             |             |     |     |     |     |     |
| Insurance companies -   |             |             |             |             |     |     |     |     |     |
| Deposits on reinsurance (including subsidiary IL.51,444)  | 2,252,289   |             |             | 2,019,842   |     |     |     |     |     |
| Other accounts (including subsidiary IL.201,303)  | 3,416,392   |             |             | 2,962,293   |     |     |     |     |     |
|   | 5,668,681   |             |             | 4,982,135   |     |     |     |     |     |
| Outstanding premiums, less provision for doubtful debts   | 16,951,088  |             |             | 15,420,313  |     |     |     |     |     |
| Outstanding premiums above allowed percentage (Note 7)  |             |             |             | 244,000     |     |     |     |     |     |
|   |             | 16,951,088  |             | 15,664,313  |     |     |     |     |     |
| Debtors and other balances  | 4,543,053   |             |             | 4,951,970   |     |     |     |     |     |
| Interest receivable   | 2,069,674   |             |             | 1,043,633   |     |     |     |     |     |
| Deposits with banks for a period not exceeding one year   | 7,812,214   |             |             | 5,604,326   |     |     |     |     |     |
| Cash at banks and in hand   | 7,671,605   |             |             | 5,890,307   |     |     |     |     |     |
|   |             | 44,716,922  |             | 38,769,324  |     |     |     |     |     |
|   |             | 265,658,805 |             | 198,016,611 |     |     |     |     |     |

The Directors' Notes to the Financial Statements are an integral part thereof.

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ChairmanJ. Gruengard  
Managing DirectorA. Ron  
General Manager

### REPORT OF THE AUDITORS TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF MIGDAL-BINYAN INSURANCE COMPANY LTD.

We have examined the accompanying Balance Sheet of Migdal-Binyan Insurance Company Ltd. as at 31st December, 1972 and the Profit and Loss Statement for the year then ended. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly we have applied such auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. The Life Assurance Reserve is stated at the amount certified by the Company's actuary.

In our opinion, the abovementioned Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Statement present fairly, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles, the financial position of the Company as at 31st December, 1972 and the results of its operations for the year then ended.

### Directors notes to the financial statements as at December 31, 1972.

#### Note 1 - Accounting Principles

##### (a) Value linked assets and liabilities

(i) The Life Assurance Reserve linked to the cost-of-living index was adjusted to the index of June, 1972 (previous year - June, 1971) and Life Assurance Reserve linked to the dollar was adjusted to the official exchange rate on balance sheet date - under the terms of the linked policies.

(ii) Linked bonds and debentures of, or guaranteed by, the Government and loans on linked policies held on account of the linked Life Assurance Reserve were adjusted on the same basis as the Life Assurance Reserve.

(iii) Liabilities in or linked to foreign currency were included at the official rates of exchange on balance sheet date.

(iv) Assets in foreign currency - except bonds and debentures - were included at the official rates of exchange on balance sheet date.

(v) Mortgages, loans (except for loans on linked policies) and deposits were included at their original amount (without adding increments on account of linking differences).

(b) Bonds and debentures not held on account of the linked Life Assurance Reserve and other securities were included as follows:

Quoted - at cost or market, whichever lower

Unquoted - at cost

(c) Real estate was included at cost; buildings for rent and office buildings were included at cost less depreciation, calculated on a straight line basis.

(d) The financial statements were drawn up in conformity with the "Financial Reporting Regulations" issued under the Insurance Supervision Act.

#### Note 2 - Life Assurance Reserve (net of reinsurance)

|  | 31st December, 1972 | IL. | IL.         |
|--|---------------------|-----|-------------|
| Linked to the cost-of-living index         | 151,425,023         |     | 110,070,410 |
| Linked to the rate of exchange of the US\$ | 11,991,028          |     | 11,579,891  |
| In foreign currency                        | 177,517             |     | 343,642     |
| Not linked                                 | 6,875,531           |     | 5,724,364   |
|  | 170,469,109         |     | 127,718,309 |

#### Note 3 - Bonds and Debentures

|  | 31st December, 1972 | IL. | IL.         |
|--|---------------------|-----|-------------|
| Linked to the cost-of-living index, including those linked at the option of the Company (including IL.12,044,505 quoted) | 159,607,222         |     | 110,625,061 |
| Linked to the rate of exchange of the US\$   | 10,961,755          |     | 11,617,162  |
| In foreign currency, quoted  | 1,086,430           |     | 1,112,382   |
| Not linked, quoted (Capital Notes of Bank Leumi Le-Israel B.M.)  | 816,457             |     | 493,841     |
|  | 172,471,864         |     | 123,848,446 |

Pursuant to Section 109 of the Companies Ordinance, we state that we have obtained all the information and explanations we required and that our opinion on the Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Statement is given according to the best of our information and the explanations received by us and as shown by the books of the Company.

Pursuant to Regulation 9 of the Securities (Periodic and Immediate Reports) Regulations, 1970-1970, we confirm that, in our opinion, the above-mentioned financial statements have been drawn up in conformity with the Securities (Preparation of Financial Statements) Regulations, 1970-1970, as far as these regulations are applicable to insurance companies.

Tel Aviv, 13th May, 1973

Barry Miller & Co.  
Certified Public Accountants (Israel)

#### Note 4 - Loans and Deposits

|  | IL.        | IL.        |
|--|------------|------------|
| Linked to the cost-of-living index         | 8,056,640  | 6,404,812  |
| Linked to the rate of exchange of the US\$ | 870,177    | 826,550    |
| Not linked                                 | 22,435,597 | 16,584,322 |
|  | 31,362,414 | 23,795,684 |

#### Note 5 - Shares and Investment Trust Units

|        | 31st December, 1972 | IL. | IL.       |
|--------|---------------------|-----|-----------|
| Quoted | 1,392,853           |     | 1,189,142 |

#### Note 6 - Subsidiary

The Company holds the entire share capital of its subsidiary - Maas Insurance Company Ltd.

#### Note 7 - Reserve for Premiums above Allowed Percentage

On balance sheet date, there was no need to make a reserve under the "Regulations Concerning Outstanding Premiums in the General Insurance Branch" issued under the Insurance Supervision Act.

#### Note 8 - Building under Construction

The Company has not yet signed contracts for the continuation of the construction of the building under construction acquired in 1972.

#### Note 9 - Severance Pay and Pensions

The Company's liability to its employees for severance pay and pensions is fully covered by insurance and reserves.

#### Note 10 - Income Tax

The Company has received assessments until and including the year 1969.

#### Note 11

We confirm that, to the best of our belief, the assets are, in the aggregate, fully of the value stated in the balance sheet.

#### Note 12 - Statement Pursuant to Section 107(5) of the Companies Ordinance 1920 - 1926

The profits of the subsidiary company are included in the accounts to the extent of dividends received.

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Managing DirectorA. Ron  
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### Profit and Loss and Appropriation Statement for the year ended December 31, 1972

|  | IL.       | IL.       | IL.       |
|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Transferred from revenue statements -  |           |           |           |
| Profit on Life Insurance   | 1,364,611 |           | 1,007,949 |
| Profit on General Insurance  | 861,244   |           | 629,378   |
|  |           | 2,125,855 | 1,637,325 |
| Income not carried to revenue statements -   |           |           |           |
| Interest and dividends (including IL.150,000 from subsidiary)                        | 2,837,744 |           | 2,512,597 |
| Profit on realisation of investments   | 948,921   |           | 424,176   |
| Surplus income   | 6,843     |           | 124,368   |
|  |           | 4,791,508 | 2,677,251 |
| Management and General Expenses, not carried to revenue statements                   | 1,372,152 |           | 1,109,414 |
| Directors' fees  | 25,000    |           | 25,000    |
|  |           | 1,397,152 | 1,134,414 |
| Provision for doubtful debts   | 250,000   |           | 100,000   |
| Equipment and Furniture, written off to nominal amount                               | 377,414   |           | 351,174   |
|  |           | 627,414   | 451,174   |
| Profit for the year, before provision for income tax                                 | 4,993,497 |           | 2,752,002 |
| Provision for income tax   | 1,295,000 |           | 600,000   |
| Profit for the year after income tax   | 3,698,497 |           | 2,152,002 |
| Capital profit from sale of London Branch (net of income tax)                        |           |           | 1,045,000 |
| Transferred from Reserve for outstanding Premiums above allowed percentage (Note 11) |           |           | 244,000   |
|  |           |           | 190,000   |
| Unappropriated Profit at the beginning of the year                                   | 3,837,497 |           | 2,467,002 |
| Profit available for appropriation   | 375,315   |           | 235,012   |
| Appropriation of Profit -  |           |           |           |
| 17% proposed dividend, gross (previous year 17% IL.128,467)                          |           |           | 961,276   |
| Transferred to Reserve for allowance of 15% bonus shares (net of capital profit)     |           |           | 865,830   |
| Transferred to General Reserve   | 1,000,000 |           | 1,000,000 |
| Transferred to Special General Reserve   | 1,000,000 |           | 1,000,000 |
| Transferred to Life Reserve  | 604,345   |           | 604,345   |
| Unappropriated Profit  | 3,698,497 |           | 2,467,002 |
|  |           |           | 395,315   |

Notes: The depreciation on buildings and equipment (including written off to nominal amount) included in the Profit and Loss and Revenue Statements amounts to IL.447,546 (1971 - IL.416,822).

### Life Assurance Statement for the year ended December 31, 1972

|  | IL.       | IL.        | IL.        | IL.        |
|--|-----------|------------|------------|------------|
| Premiums   |           | 50,846,078 |            | 38,584,813 |
| Less: reinsurance  |           | 4,815,310  |            | 3,128,466  |
|  |           |            | 46,030,768 | 35,456,347 |
| Interest and dividends   |           | 10,419,470 |            | 7,012,811  |
| Increase in value of linked investments  |           | 13,368,997 |            | 11,530,770 |
| Profit on realisation of investments<br>(1971 - including transfer from<br>reserves for decrease in value of<br>investments) |           | 342,621    |            | 303,020    |
|  |           |            | 24,311,058 | 19,166,511 |
| Less: Increase of Assurance Reserve<br>(net of reinsurance)  |           | 41,303,800 |            | 33,430,135 |
| Reserve for Bonus to policy holders  |           | 1,447,000  |            | 1,030,000  |
|  |           |            | 42,750,800 | 34,460,135 |
|  |           |            | 27,611,020 | 20,072,540 |
| Claims paid and outstanding:   |           |            |            |            |
| By death   | 5,802,380 |            |            | 4,501,541  |
| Less: reinsurance  | 1,222,954 |            |            | 783,511    |
|  |           | 4,579,426  |            | 3,718,030  |
| By maturity  |           | 3,705,498  |            | 3,046,211  |
| Surplus  | 2,913,649 |            |            | 2,494,011  |
| Less: reinsurance  | 9,582     |            |            | 1,511      |
|  |           | 3,923,819  |            | 2,492,500  |
| Amittias   | 54,253    |            |            | 37,841     |
| Less: reinsurance  | 6,574     |            |            | 4,771      |
|  |           | 47,679     |            | 32,111     |
|  |           | 12,248,322 |            | 9,288,870  |
| Transferred to reserve for<br>extraordinary risks  |           | 2,779,088  |            | 2,022,430  |
|  |           |            | 15,177,410 | 11,311,211 |
| Stamp and medical fees, less policy fees   |           | 1,105,754  |            | 459,631    |
| Commission paid  |           | 6,881,632  |            | 4,903,900  |
| Management and general expenses  |           | 4,253,383  |            | 2,547,260  |
|  |           | 12,439,559 |            | 6,000,818  |
| Less: commissions received on reinsurance  |           | 1,281,520  |            | 772,430    |
|  |           |            | 11,158,039 | 5,228,388  |
| Profit - carried to Profit and Loss Statement  |           |            | 2,054,611  | 1,007,918  |





for any emergency — Magen David Adom ambulances line Airport. (Hetz)

## MDA gets ready for an age of emergencies

By KEVIN SCHUL

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV — Magen David Adom's first aid unit is to undergo an new development phase with the introduction of a new ambulance service to become a feature along critical of the motorways, six now.

At a press conference Prof. Moshe Mami, rector chairman of Magen David Adom's Executive Committee, said members of the unit were determined to keep M.D.A. operating at its present standards, the bulk of the sum to be raised by the annual lottery.

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M.D.A. maintains over 80 centres with new buildings planned for Beisan and outlying areas as well as the more densely populated parts of the heart region and

other sophisticated transportable equipment. The cardio-case ambulances will be connected by special radio network to central dispatch centres, Prof. Mami said.

Jerusalem's lone "heart ambulance," in operation for the past six months, brought over 1,000 patients to the Hadassah Hospital there.

Aluf (Res.) Yaacov Hefetz, Hon. Treasurer of the M.D.A., said that the current budget would amount to some \$1.5m., including \$1.7m. for operational costs, plus an additional \$1.7 m. for the development budget. More than \$1.5m. will be required to keep M.D.A. operating at its present standards, the bulk of the sum to be raised by the annual lottery.

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## Safety margin for the tribes in Beduin village

By H. BEN-ADI

Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEVA.

THE construction of a new Bedouin school, to be the nucleus of a projected Beduin settlement six kilometres south of Beersheva, was begun this week.

The school, to be constructed of prefabricated materials, should be ready for use at the beginning of the new school year. Its completion will serve as the starting point for a more extensive building programme by the Ministry of Housing which will include provision for all basic services: medical, social, and recreational.

The plan of the settlement reflects the influence of what its sponsors call "socio-psychological and anthropological" considerations, as well as a desire not to interfere with established Beduin custom. For this reason, a new feature has been added which would group the residences of families of one tribe around a central area which would contain the house of the family elders and the chieftain. A special residence has also been planned for Sheikh Oude Abu Mummer, leader of the 300 families registering for the settlement. It will contain special reception facilities.

Although the 3,000 dunam settlement is in an area belonging to the Azazma tribe, other tribes will be invited to join the project. During the initial stages of occupation, the fields between various housing groups will remain vacant, so as to provide insulation against friction that might arise between tribes or families unused to living in close proximity.

Development, planning and services are under control of the Housing Ministry, which will build the kindergarten, clinics, playground, training centre and other facilities. The residents themselves will pay \$1400 registration fee for the housing plots, and each family will build its house at its expense, choosing from seven models.

The town architect and planner is Mr. Peretz Treitel, a specialist in the problems of nomad life.

THE CARMELIT, Haifa's underground cable railway to the top of Mt. Carmel, reopened Saturday night after a five-day shutdown to replace the cable. The cable is changed on an average of once every four years.

This country's sole cigarette producer, Dubek Ltd., has announced that it is preparing to buy synthetic, artificial "tobacco." In the face of increased demand for cigarettes, despite repeated warnings of their health hazards, Britain's Imperial Tobacco Company has spent several million pounds on developing a New Smoking Material made from wood pulp. The new product would resemble tobacco but contain less tar, a material thought to produce cancer. It would also, incidentally, solve cigarette makers' problems of a growing shortage of tobacco.

## Light up a tube of wood pulp!

By MARTIN SHERWOOD

LONDON (JWW).

DESPITE widespread and repeated health warnings, cigarette-smoking shows no sign of dying out. Throughout the world, enormous quantities of tobacco go up in smoke each year and, in many of the developing countries, the habit is becoming more common as living standards rise.

Tobacco companies, and governments which derive tax revenue from cigarettes, are loath to see the habit decrease. Yet there is now strong evidence that thousands of people die each year from diseases brought on by smoking — cancer of the lung, emphysema, bronchitis and, possibly, heart attacks. Consequently, the world's major tobacco companies are trying to protect their future by developing cigarettes which may be less hazardous. One possibility is to produce smoking mixtures which contain substitutes for natural tobacco.

In Britain, cigarette-smokers may be able to buy cigarettes made from such a mixture within two or three years. Britain's largest tobacco company, Imperial Tobacco, has recently announced that it intends to spend more than \$10m. (£1,000m.) for a factory in Scotland which would produce 10,000 tons a year of New Smoking Material (NSM), a product which it has developed in conjunction with the chemical company, ICI. The two companies have been working on this material for seven years, and have already spent several million pounds on the project.

Before Imperial can use NSM in its cigarettes — it sells about 70

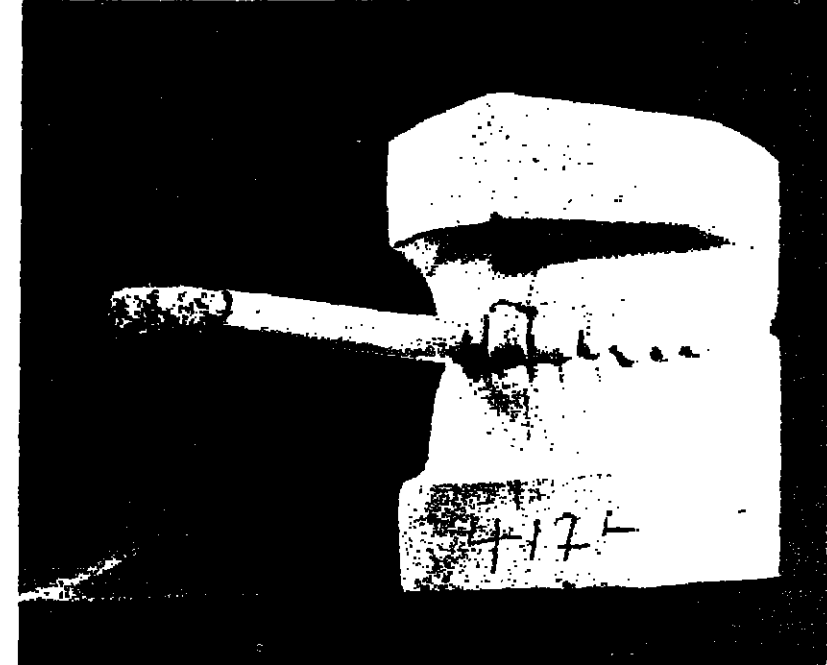
different brands in Britain — it will have to get clearance from a committee of medical specialists set up by the British Government in March 1973. However, it seems unlikely that the company would spend so much money on a factory if it were not almost certain to obtain permission to sell the product.

NSM is obtained from woodpulp, which is treated by chemical and tobacco manufacturing techniques to produce a material that, apart from its colour, looks like the shreds of tobacco customarily found in cigarettes. However, NSM is almost pure cellulose. Cellulose is a complex substance, each molecule of which is made up from hundreds of atoms of carbon, oxygen and hydrogen. Ordinary tobacco contains a high proportion of cellulose. However, the tobacco companies hope that the tobacco substitutes will not contain the other ingredients of tobacco which may be responsible for the health hazards.

### Tar and cancer

For example, Imperial Tobacco has found that NSM, when it is burned, produces much less tar than ordinary tobacco. And there seems to be a clear relationship between the amount of tar produced by a tobacco and the likelihood that it will produce cancers. Despite many years of research, there have been only one or two cases where scientists have been able to produce lung cancers in experimental animals by exposing them to cigarette smoke. Consequently, the usual method for assessing the carcinogenicity (cancer-producing ability) of cigarettes is the "mouse skin-painting test." Tar extracts from cigarettes are painted onto the skins of mice and the percentage of the mice which subsequently develop skin cancers is used as a measure of carcinogenicity.

It was from such tests that the relationship between amount of tar and number of cancers was found. In addition, different types of tar have different "specific carcinogenicity."



If not artificial tobacco, then perhaps artificial teeth. (Braun)

nicities." According to experiments carried out for Imperial Tobacco, NSM not only produces less tar than tobacco, it also produces a tar with a much lower specific carcinogenicity.

Because tobacco supplies have not kept pace with the increase in demand for cigarettes in recent years, some cigarettes already contain "processed tobacco sheet." This material is made by taking parts of the tobacco plant which were once discarded, such as the stalk, and processing them into sheets which can be shredded to look like tobacco. The sheet is made from parts of the plant which have higher cellulose and lower tar contents than the leaf. However, it is claimed that the tar content of NSM is much lower still.

### Without nicotine

At the moment, substitute smoking materials contain no nicotine, which is the active drug in cigarettes. So, it is intended, if it gets governmental approval, to mix NSM with ordinary tobacco in the proportions 1:4 or 1:9, thus reducing the overall tar yield but still allowing the smoker sufficient nicotine (it is hoped) to satisfy him.

Imperial Tobacco's plan to build a full-scale factory has already been attacked. Dr. John Dunwoody, Director of the British anti-smoking organization called Action on Smoking and Health, fears that smokers will believe they are getting a safer cigarette. He does not think this is so. There are a number of smoking-related diseases, not least coronary thrombosis, which may be totally unconnected with the tar content of cigarettes. One of the most harmful constituents of tobacco smoke may be carbon monoxide; and it is possible that tobacco substitutes could yield more of this poisonous gas than ordinary tobacco.

Dunwoody claims that not until humans have tested substitutes perhaps for as long as 50 years will we really know whether or not they are safer. So, despite the money which has gone into research and development, and is now going

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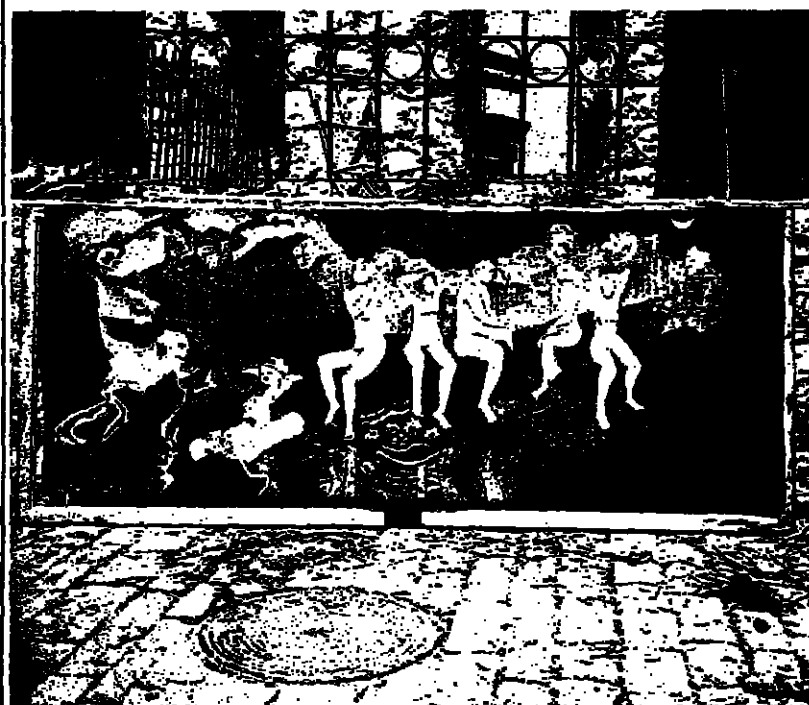
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## MASKIT AND THE MAN

By MARJA WOLSKA

Jerusalem Post Reporter

MEN who go shopping with their wives fall into two categories: those who encourage buying and those who discourage it. The division is about equal. Men who come alone to buy something for their wives are usually excellent shoppers: they know the sizes, what they want and they make up their minds on the spot. (They also cannot try on blouses or skirts — an endless sport of young girls, especially Americans.) European men buy gifts for the home; American men, for their women. And it may come as no surprise that Americans are now much more careful with their money than they were, say, a year ago.

This folklore on shopping habits comes from Rita Berger, manager of the recently opened Maskit shop in Old Jaffa, which manages to include a surprising range of merchandise in its 100 square metres, on two levels. Dresses, blouses, bathing suits, bags and belts, a bit of knit-and-crochet wear, children's wear, stuffed toys and bath hanging for children's rooms, the "Build Jerusalem" paper game, tablecloths, novelty hats and bags, even small rugs — this is on the lower mini-floor. Upstairs is gold and silver jewellery, glassware, ceramics, wall decorations, and other giftware.

In the fashion section, the problem of organizing stock to assure adequate sizes and ranges (and even providing alterations) with a boutique-size space requires both ingenuity and good temper. The premises, designed by a new immigrant

architect from Brazil, Arnaldo Grinstein and his staff, are colourful enough to put anyone in a good mood — but when bus-sized tourist groups start converging on Jaffa shops, the effect can be unsettling. Freed for more shopping lore, Rita Berger, formerly manager of Maskit at the Sharon Hotel in Herzliya (she speaks six languages — and "can sell in two more") provided The Post with the following: If a woman asks about the fabric content of a dress, she is almost certain to be American. Israeli women, on the other hand, ask about the designer, because Israelis now know the artists who work for Maskit.

About half of the customers at the new Jaffa shop are Israelis, and till now they have bought most of the dresses: "Tourists haven't yet found out about us, and are not yet prepared for a major try-on and purchase. Blouses, yes. But we've only been open six weeks." Still, tourists who have shopped at the Sharon Hotel Maskit find their way to the Jaffa shop: "One woman, here for the Economic Conference, remembered me from Herzliya — and bought \$1,500 worth of goods in Jaffa. A woman from Brazil kissed me goodbye when she left." (Portuguese is one of Rita Berger's "minor" languages.) This sort of encounter might be called "merchandising with heart."

In addition to its five existing shops throughout the country, Maskit plans call for openings of new stores in Ramat Gan and Eilat. Hours for the Jaffa shop are from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 8 p.m. to midnight.











## No substitute for policy

It is easier to decry inflation than to do something about it. The question raised by yesterday's Cabinet decision to freeze or "stabilize" prices for a period of 90 days is whether in fact it will do very much. Economists don't believe it will, and even the government experts who authored the plan view it only as a feeble expedient. In their report to the Cabinet they emphasized that to really do something about inflation other more substantial steps would have to be taken. But they suggested that the public anticipation of continuous price rises was itself a factor in the inflationary spiral, and a price freeze could at least affect this psychological climate.

Hopefully this will be the case. But the main issue remains — what kind of over-all policy does the Government contemplate when the 90 days are over? There are those who predict that the first 90 days will be followed by another three-month freeze. But this would only delay the decisions which ultimately have to be taken. For no one argues that administrative measures like a price freeze are or can be a substitute for policy. In the U.S. and Britain where price freezes have been tried, they were presented as part of a longer-range scheme which also included other measures. In our case, beside the spectre of an Added Value Tax, there has been a hint that the Government is formulating other measures like reducing public expenditures, raising the

price of directed credits, cutting the inflow of capital or raising other taxes.

It is generally assumed that this reluctance to even discuss in serious terms the decisive steps necessary to battle inflation is a seasonal reaction that is born of the election season which is already upon us. For there should be no doubt that a decision to truly confront inflation would pinch the public as a whole and its various economic parts.

However, the differences that have surfaced during the past few days between the Bank of Israel and the economic ministers indicate that in addition to election year reluctance, the Government has not been able to reach any kind of consensus on what should be done.

Even the price freeze was explained differently yesterday by Mr. Bar-Lev and Mr. Sabar. While the Bank of Israel Governor said the 90-day period would afford the Government time to elaborate a more robust policy, the Commerce Minister said it was merely to be seen as a cooling-off period. After that the Government would decide whether to revert to the status quo ante or do something else. What else, he did not say.

With such uncertainty among our economic policy-makers, a price freeze is certainly a convenient way to buy time. But if this time is misused, if it results only in a greater inflationary burst once the price lid is lifted, what appears convenient today may then seem exceedingly sour.

The question of freedom of movement between East and West was discussed by Richard Nixon and Leonid Brezhnev at their summit and is also likely to play a major part in the coming European Conference on Security and Cooperation. In addition to restrictions which keep Jews from leaving the Soviet Union, the Communist countries enforce limitations of varying severity on foreign travel by their citizens. These are discussed here by FWF correspondent Paul Neuburg.

## Security and freedom in Europe

LONDON (FWF). — The trickiest topic at the forthcoming European Conference on Security and Cooperation is likely to be that of freer movement of people and ideas between East and West. Up to the final stages of the Helsinki preparatory talks for the event, Russia and its allies fought against the topic being put on the agenda at all. They continued to denounce it as a diversionary manoeuvre — introduced by the West to wreck the whole of the talks. In the Communist view, the flow of ideas and people between the two sides is already quite free enough.

In truth, there is a lopsided situation which the West is trying to remedy and the Communist countries to preserve. With the notable exception of Yugoslavia, they keep a tight control over exchanges, which they manipulate largely to their own advantage.

In the realm of ideas, any Westerner can acquire any book, newspaper or other cultural product he wants from the Communist world, and listen to any broadcast. But Russians and East Europeans have either



Barbed wire barriers and East German patrol boats are some of the many obstacles to freedom of movement between East and West Europe. Can next month's conference remove some of them?

no access to Western papers at all, or only to those sanctioned by the authorities and then only in limited numbers. Poland, Czechoslovakia, Bulgaria and the Soviet Union, meanwhile, continue to jam various Western radio stations.

The selection of Western books, films and plays available to the public in Eastern Europe is undoubtedly wider than its counterpart in the West, but the reason for this is purely economic. The Soviet and East-European public eagerly buys up large print runs of translated Western books, and flocks to Western plays and films. In the West, publishers and entrepreneurs find the importation of East European cultural products rarely profitable, and thus have to be very selective in what they bring over. Besides, the difference in conditions can also work to the advantage of the Communist countries. Their state-run cultural establishments will only import what is politically acceptable, regardless of how profitable other kinds of material — such as, say, Svetlana Stalina's memoirs — might be. Private Western entrepreneurs by contrast will import whatever is likely to produce a profit, regardless of its political content. When Chairman Mao's thoughts became all the rage in the Western student world, large piles of the "Little Red Book," published in Peking, confronted customers in some of the most established Western bookshops.

A similar imbalance, due to a similar mixture of political and economic reasons, prevails in the movement of people. Russia and its East European allies have been trying to make the most of the global tourist boom while relaxing very slowly, if at all, restrictions on travel by their own people.

In Bulgaria, the number of Western visitors grew from about 68,000 in 1960 to nearly 1.5 million in 1972 — but the number of Bulgarians allowed to travel to the West annually is still under 70,000. And most of these go on official visits, or trips paid for by relatives outside the country. Even from Hungary, which is the most liberal in its policies, only 216,000 people travelled to the West in 1971.

**Shortage of cash**  
One reason for the imbalance is the shortage of hard currency in Communist countries. Even in the case of such a developed East European country as Czechoslovakia, tourism brought in over 10 per cent of the foreign trade surplus last year. But as early as February this year, the State Bank had to announce that it would be unable to grant more than a sixth of requests for currency for individual travel westward, though the daily allowance is only six dollars per person. Rumania, which has been investing in Western equipment on a grand scale and running up equally grand deficits in the West over the last decade, allows no individual tourism to the dollar-based countries at all. And even people whose travel is sponsored by Western relatives and friends, get no more than a total of 10 dollars to spend on the way.

Politically, while there is no restriction whatever on Westerners wishing to travel to any Communist country, the restrictions on the other way round are the rule and liberality the exception. For one thing, some East European countries continue to fear that their citizens, and especially the more educated ones among them, will stay in the West. This fear tends to be self-justifying

in that the fewer people are let out, the higher the percentage who refuse to return.

Only a very small proportion of the relatively large number of Poles and Hungarians holidaying in the West remain there nowadays. But Rumania has had the experience of whole busloads of tourists on Western trip absconding, together with their guides and drivers. The former widespread fear that citizens might in the West too different from its Communist propaganda image, now appears to be confined to Russia and Bulgaria. Politics checks on people who wish to travel to the West remain routine throughout Eastern Europe. And even in the most liberal countries of the area, the authorities continue to make unbalanced use of their power to grant, or withhold, passports as a means of rewarding or punishing people for their political behaviour.

The situation, however, is better than used to be. This is partly because foreign travel is now seen by several East European governments as a means of "tying down" the population's money which might otherwise be chasing the too-few consumer goods available and so create inflationary pressures. The same governments have also realized the value of tourism as a means of cheering up their people. In Czechoslovakia the year 1972, marked by noisy political trials and purges, was also the year in which the number of passports for Western travel began once more to creep up, following the harsh restrictions of 1969. It is further liberalization in the sphere which to ordinary East Europeans could be the most welcome result of a Security Conference. The talks are due open in Helsinki early next month.

## Dry Bones



## WHAT THE OTHERS SAY:

Davar (Histadrut) writes that at the summit meeting, the U.S. and the U.S.S.R.: "Both resolved not to interfere in local disputes in various places throughout the world, even in cases where they adopt different and opposed stands. This should also lead to negotiation in the Middle East."

Ha'aretz (non-party) writes: "The task of settling regional conflicts will devolve upon the countries concerned. Sooner or later, Cairo may have to adjust to the knowledge that she will not be able to involve the Soviet Union in any military move whatsoever: against Israel, and will thus have to opt for the political path."

Hatzofe (National Religious) writes: "The more the Arabs come to appreciate that there is no outlet other than through dialogue, so they will cease threatening war, curb the terrorists, and attempt to open negotiations. What today appears to be wishful thinking, may become reality in the long run."

Al Hamishmar (Mapam) writes:

"This is the point at which to voice regret that the Egyptian Foreign Minister retreated from his agreement to meet with Mr. Eban in the presence of Ambassador Jar-ring. However, it is to be hoped that the manifestations of readiness to meet — which even though they disappear suddenly, keep cropping up — are not chance occurrences, and it behoves Israel to follow them with great interest and a constant positive response."

Omer (Histadrut) writes: "Zay-yat's announcement regarding his agreement to meet with Eban is not surprising. On the contrary, we were surprised by his initial announcement. It sounded too good to be true."

Hamedia (Agudat Yisrael) writes on a reported price freeze: "Too late and too little. Moreover, any price who did not rush to raise the price of his products, has now received incentive to do so immediately, as a result of the recent leaks from the meetings of the ministerial committee."

## Readers' letters

### Beauty and the citizen

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post  
Sir, — With reference to Lea Levavi's article, "Beautiful Israel begins at your window," (June 18), may I suggest that this project should, as a matter of priority, start well below the level of the Israeli window?

Far be it from me to decry the importance of attractive and colourful window boxes, but in my opinion these can only come to full expression when complemented by cleanliness and tidiness at ground floor level.

Could not the Council for a Beautiful Israel invest in a project consisting of the education of the public towards civic responsibility so that we can be just as proud of the state of our streets and dustbins as we are of our window boxes?

RENEE OITRON  
Tel Aviv, June 14.

### PASSENGER COMFORT

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post  
Sir, — We all would like to know why Dan and Egged think so often about demanding higher fares, but never about the comfort of their passengers. For years people have been complaining about the high step to enter buses. Is it too much to ask you to make easier entrances to your buses?

M. STIGLITZ  
Tel Aviv, May 31.

Dan and Egged both explain that the Government had a contract with Leyland which forced them to buy Leyland buses; these buses had to have high steps because of their wheels and springs. Both cooperatives complained about this at the time and are now planning to purchase, from other sources, new buses which will have easier entrances. Egged adds that fares and comfort are a direct function of ticket cost. Improvements cost money and Egged's income comes from the sale of tickets. Egged adds that improvements are being constantly made; new lines are started, the frequency of bus runs is increased, new stations are built, new buses are put into service, etc., but it admits that there is of course always room for additional improvements. — Ed. J.P.

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To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post  
Sir, — A relative of mine sent me the article, "Nature and Week-enders," by Michel de Castro (May 13). I have visited Israel many times and what Mr. de Castro writes about the state of the country, the regard of order and cleanliness in many beauty spots is only too true. And it seems to me it is getting worse every year. I usually stay at Ashkelon for some time and while the National Park is beautifully clean and well kept, the paths and tracks outside leading to the sea present a disgraceful picture. There is one thing lacking in the article, though: the address of the Society for the Protection of Nature. I am sure I am not the only one who would apply for membership and be willing to make a substantial donation.

DE. F.L. SACK  
Bern, June 12.  
The address of the Society for the Protection of Nature is 4 Haashela, Tel Aviv. Ed. J.P.

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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M. RADBERG  
Haifa, June 17.

### HERZLIYA BEACH

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post  
Sir, — I regularly take my three small children to the beach in Herzliya for an afternoon's relaxation. However, this is often almost impossible due to the flow of traffic at the water's edge. Cars, jeeps, motorcycles and trucks all put an end-to-end any hope of a pleasant afternoon's outing. I fail to see why we should suffer this hazard on the seashore, and instead of a quiet safe place for the children to play, we are subjected to all the menaces of a public highway.

The beach authorities are duly concerned with safety in the water, but what about safety on the sand? Surely something can be done to prevent this as indeed it is strange that it should occur at all.

(Mrs. J. LIEBERMAN)  
Ramat Hasharon, May 22.  
The above letter was sent for comment to the Herzliya Municipality on May 29. No reply has been received to date. — Ed. J.P.



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